

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair appoints as members of the committee on the part of the Senate to take order for superintending the funeral of the late Speaker of the House of Representatives the Senator from Alabama [Mr. HILL] and the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. BARKLEY].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore subsequently, under the third resolving clause of the Senate resolution, appointed the following Senators as the committee of the Senate to join with the committee on the part of the House to attend the funeral of the deceased Speaker of the House of Representatives at Jasper, Ala.:

Mr. BANKHEAD, Mr. HILL, Mr. PITTMAN, Mr. BARKLEY, Mr. ASHURST, Mr. MCKELLAR, Mr. FRAZIER, Mr. SHIPSTEAD, Mr. WHEELER, Mr. LA FOLLETTE, Mr. CONNALLY, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. BULOW, Mr. BYRNES, Mr. WHITE, Mr. AUSTIN, Mr. RUSSELL, Mr. CLARK of Missouri, Mr. OVERTON, Mr. BILBO, Mr. BURKE, Mr. GUFFEY, Mr. MINTON, Mr. TRUMAN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. PEPPER, Mr. ELLENDER, Mr. CLARK of Idaho, Mr. WILEY, and Mr. CHANDLER.

Mr. BARKLEY. Mr. President, in accordance with the resolution just adopted, I move that the Senate proceed to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and the Senate, preceded by the President pro tempore and Rev. William S. Abernethy, D. D., and escorted by the Secretary (Edwin A. Halsey) and the Sergeant at Arms (Chesley W. Jurney), proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral services of the late Hon. WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate returned to its Chamber at 1 o'clock and 8 minutes p. m., and, under the fifth resolving clause of Senate Resolution 313, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Speaker of the House of Representatives, adjourned until Wednesday, September 18, at 12 o'clock meridian.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1940

The House was called to order at 12 o'clock noon by Hon. South Trimble, Clerk of the House.

The CLERK. Members of the House of Representatives, it becomes my sad and painful duty, as Clerk of the House of Representatives, to inform you officially that your beloved Speaker passed away yesterday morning at the Naval Hospital in this city.

America has lost one of her greatest statesmen and patriots, the House of Representatives a most able and eloquent Speaker, and the State of Alabama a noble and courageous son.

In accordance with the rules and practice of the House of Representatives, it now becomes the duty of this House to elect a Speaker. What is the pleasure of the House?

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Clerk, in view of the unfortunate circumstances in which the House finds itself, and with a feeling of very profound respect for the memory of our beloved Speaker who has left us, it becomes necessary, in order that the House may continue to function and the machinery of Government may go on, that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker.

I therefore offer the following resolution, and move its adoption:

The Clerk read as follows:

House Resolution 602

Resolved, That Hon. SAM RAYBURN, a Representative from the State of Texas, be, and he is hereby, elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Resolved, That the President and the Senate be notified by the Clerk of the election of Hon. SAM RAYBURN as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was agreed to.

The CLERK. The Clerk appoints the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. McCORMACK], the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MARTIN], and the gentleman from North Carolina

[Mr. DOUGHTON] to escort the gentleman from Texas [Mr. RAYBURN] to the chair.

The committee escorted Mr. RAYBURN into the Chamber, and he assumed the chair.

The oath of office was administered to the Speaker-elect by Mr. SABATH.

Mr. DOUGHTON. Ladies and gentlemen of the House, I present the newly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, a worthy successor to our late beloved Speaker the Honorable William B. Bankhead, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. RAYBURN].

The SPEAKER. The Chaplain will offer prayer.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy holy name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the Journal be dispensed with and that the Journal stand approved.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILL

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to announce that, pursuant to authority granted him on Friday last, he did, on September 14, 1940, sign an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 4164. An act to provide for the common defense by increasing the personnel of the armed forces of the United States and providing for its training.

ADJOURNMENT OVER

Mr. DOUGHTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet on Thursday next.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

THE LATE SPEAKER WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD

Mr. STEAGALL. Mr. Speaker—

Another bark has put to sea,
Another boat has left the shore,
As fair a soul on board has she
As ever left the land before,
And as her outward port she tends—
Sit closer, friends!

Our beloved Speaker, WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD, passed away yesterday morning at 1:30. If I possessed the greatest learning and the widest command of words, I should still be bankrupt in language with which to express what is in my heart and what is in the hearts of the Members of the House of Representatives. His loss is not ours alone, but his passing is a loss to the Nation and a loss to mankind.

I speak out of a friendship and affection that runs back to the days of boyhood, but what I have to say of him rests upon his record of great public service. Early in life the people of his native State began to honor him, and so, step by step and year by year he advanced from one honor to another, each always having been conferred because of demonstrated capability and fitness. So it was that when he came to the Speakership of the House of Representatives the promotion followed a career in the House characterized by unexcelled brilliance. This great office has been filled always by great men, statesmen, patriots, great Americans, regardless of party affiliations, but no one of these surpassed him in the qualities of leadership, courage, loyalty to party, fidelity to friends, devotion to convictions, understanding of parliamentary procedure, knowledge of national affairs and the problems of government. None who follow in that great office will soon excel him in all the essential qualities that

make the ideal American statesman. He was free from envy, he was too big for jealousy, he had a heart as broad as humanity, and the love that he gave his fellows was returned by those who knew him and loved him. He embodied all the refinements of a brilliant mind and chivalrous soul—a Christian gentleman who walked with God. Greater honor would have been his before his passing but for the impairment of his health. He so loved his duties here, he was so devoted to his responsibilities at this juncture in our national life that he felt he should forget physical infirmity and physical welfare, and so he turned not aside for a moment from the duties that confronted him. Duty to his party was his last undertaking. He was a partisan, but his partisanship was grounded in the deepest principles of patriotism and love of country. It was a partisanship based upon considerations of what he believed to be the welfare of the Nation.

I have no language to do justice to his splendid record and his illustrious public service. His life will be an inspiration to those who come after him in his native State and throughout the Nation. His service and his record will for all time enrich the annals of our great, free Republic that he loved so well and served with such deep devotion, and to which he gave his life.

Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution, which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

House Resolution 603

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UNITED STATES.

Resolved, That the House has learned with profound sensibility and sorrow of the death of Hon. WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD, Speaker of the House of Representatives for the Seventy-sixth Congress.

Resolved, That a committee of four Members of the House be appointed to take order for superintending the funeral of Mr. BANKHEAD in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at 12:30 o'clock p. m. on Monday, September 16, 1940, and that the House of Representatives attend the same.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect the remains of Mr. BANKHEAD be removed from Washington to Jasper, Ala., in charge of the Sergeant at Arms, attended by the committee, who shall have full power to carry these resolutions into effect, and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That a committee of 63 Members of the House, with such Members of the Senate as may be joined, be appointed to attend the funeral at Jasper, Ala.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House communicate these resolutions to the Senate, transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased, and invite the Senate to attend the funeral in the House Chamber and appoint a committee to act with the committee of the House.

Resolved, That invitations be extended to the President of the United States and the members of his Cabinet, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, the diplomatic corps (through the Secretary of State), the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations of the Navy, the Major General Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the Coast Guard to attend the funeral in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was agreed to.

The SPEAKER appointed the following committee of four, under the resolution, to superintend the order for the arrangement of the funeral: Hon. HENRY B. STEAGALL, of Alabama; Hon. EDWARD T. TAYLOR, of Colorado; Hon. CLIFTON A. WOODRUM, of Virginia; and Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, Jr., of Massachusetts.

The SPEAKER appointed as members of the committee to attend the funeral of the late Speaker at Jasper, Ala., the following Members of the House: Hon. SAM RAYBURN, of Texas; Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, Jr., of Massachusetts; Hon. HENRY B. STEAGALL, of Alabama; Hon. FRANK W. BOYKIN, of Alabama; Hon. SAM HOBBS, of Alabama; Hon. JOE STARNES, of Alabama; Hon. PETE JARMAN, of Alabama; Hon. LUTHER PATRICK, of Alabama; Hon. JOHN J. SPARKMAN, of Alabama; Hon. GEORGE M. GRANT, of Alabama; Hon. ADOLPH J. SABATH, of Illinois; Hon. EDWARD T. TAYLOR, of Colorado; Hon. ROBERT L. DOUGHTON, of North Carolina; Hon. HATTON W. SUMNERS, of Texas; Hon. CARL VINSON, of Georgia; Hon. SCHUYLER OTIS BLAND, of Virginia; Hon. MARVIN JONES, of Texas; Hon. HAROLD KNUTSON, of Minnesota; Hon. CLARENCE F. LEA, of California; Hon. ROBERT CROSSER, of Ohio; Hon. FRANK CROWTHER, of New York; Hon. THOMAS H. CULLEN, of New York; Hon. PATRICK H.

DREWRY, of Virginia; Hon. MILTON A. ROMJUE, of Missouri; Hon. JOHN E. RANKIN, of Mississippi; Hon. SOL BLOOM, of New York; Hon. CLARENCE CANNON, of Missouri; Hon. CLIFTON A. WOODRUM, of Virginia; Hon. JOHN TABER, of New York; Hon. B. CARROLL REECE, of Tennessee; Hon. JOHN M. ROBSON, of Kentucky; Hon. JAMES McANDREWS, of Illinois; Hon. JOHN J. COCHRAN, of Missouri; Hon. E. E. COX, of Georgia; Hon. CHARLES A. EATON, of New Jersey; Hon. MARY T. NORTON, of New Jersey; Hon. LINDSAY C. WARREN, of North Carolina; Hon. U. S. GUYER, of Kansas; Hon. JED JOHNSON, of Oklahoma; Hon. JOHN W. McCORMACK, of Massachusetts; Hon. JERE COOPER, of Tennessee; Hon. JOE L. SMITH, of West Virginia; Hon. WILLIAM P. COLE, Jr., of Maryland; Hon. PATRICK J. BOLAND, of Pennsylvania; Hon. ANDREW J. MAY, of Kentucky; Hon. BRENT SPENCE, of Kentucky; Hon. JESSE P. WOLCOTT, of Michigan; Hon. MILLARD F. CALDWELL, of Florida; Hon. JOHN D. DINGELL, of Michigan; Hon. J. WILL ROBINSON, of Utah; Hon. JAMES G. SCRUGHAM, of Nevada; Hon. MARTIN F. SMITH, of Washington; Hon. DAVID D. TERRY, of Arkansas; Hon. FRANK CARLSON, of Kansas; Hon. FRED L. CRAWFORD, of Michigan; Hon. BERTRAND W. GEARHART, of California; Hon. JOHN M. HOUSTON, of Kansas; Hon. CHARLES F. McLAUGHLIN, of Nebraska; Hon. FRANCIS H. CASE, of South Dakota; Hon. VINCENT F. HARRINGTON, of Iowa; Hon. HARRY R. SHEPPARD, of California; Hon. ROBERT F. JONES, of Ohio; Hon. EARL R. LEWIS, of Ohio.

Mr. BULWINKLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the order of services for the exercises today in honor of the late Speaker and the proceedings thereunder be printed in today's RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the House will stand in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 12:20 o'clock p. m.) the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 12:27 o'clock p. m.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Frazier, its legislative clerk, announced that the Senate had adopted the following resolution:

Senate Resolution 313

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

September 16 (legislative day of August 5), 1940.

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Hon. WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD, late Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Resolved, That the Senate accept the invitation of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral of the late Speaker in the House at 12 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m. today.

Resolved, That a committee of two Senators be appointed by the President pro tempore to join the committee appointed by the House of Representatives to take order for superintending the funeral of the deceased, and that a committee of 30 Senators be appointed by the President pro tempore to join the committee on the part of the House to attend the funeral of the deceased at Jasper, Ala.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That, at the conclusion of the funeral service, the Senate return to its Chamber and, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Speaker, it then stand adjourned until Wednesday next.

RECESS

Mr. SABATH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House stand in recess during the funeral services.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

There was no objection.

IN MEMORIAM

Hon. WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD, late Speaker of the House of Representatives, from the State of Alabama.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prayer-----Dr. James Shera Montgomery
Chaplain of the House of Representatives
 Selection-----Quartette of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church
Cathedral Double Male Quartette
 Funeral services
 The Chaplain of the House of Representatives
 Selection-----Quartette
 Benediction-----The Chaplain of the United States Senate

The body of the late Speaker BANKHEAD lay in state in the space in front of the Clerk's desk.

At 12 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the following guests were escorted to the seats assigned to them:

The President pro tempore of the Senate [Mr. PITTMAN] and Members of the United States Senate.

The President pro tempore of the Senate took the chair at the left of the Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the part of the House the Chair appoints as members of a committee to escort the President to the Chamber the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. BOLAND], the gentleman from Texas [Mr. SUMNERS], and the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MARTIN].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. On the part of the Senate the Chair appoints the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. BARKLEY], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. HILL], and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. McNARY].

The following guests arrived, and were escorted to the seats assigned to them:

The Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Ambassadors and Ministers and Chargés d'Affaires of foreign governments.

The Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations of the Navy, the Major General Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

The members of the President's Cabinet.

The President of the United States, escorted by the joint committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The family and relatives of the late Speaker.

The CHAPLAIN (Dr. Montgomery). *I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die.*

Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you strength. Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart and ye shall find rest of soul.

In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master. Amen.

The SPEAKER. For 25 years and more I was given a rich friendship, one I shall remember to my last day. It was given to me by a great statesman, by a great man with a great soul. Paraphrasing a little, his friendship was an enriching treasure in the memory of which I shall not be poor.

We meet today knowing from the highest to the lowest in the land that we have lost a friend. The House of Representatives has lost its great leader, the country has lost a great patriot and friend to all mankind, and each of us has lost a brother.

The conditions under which I appear before you today make the situation more pointed to me because I stand here in great humility with a knowledge of my poor limitations, trying to follow in the footsteps of one so great and fine as the late Speaker BANKHEAD.

WILL BANKHEAD was a human being. He loved individuals, he loved people in the mass. His was a great soul. It will be many days before his light passes from this world.

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. It is with heavy hearts we gather today to pay a tribute of respect and devotion to a beloved friend, a truly great American.

Those of us who have been associated with Speaker BANKHEAD for many years know of his fine personal character, his devotion to the public service, and his rugged Americanism.

He held, as Speaker of the House, one of the great positions in the Government. It is a position which calls for ability, the highest integrity, absolute fairness, and a thorough knowl-

edge of the business of the Government. Mr. BANKHEAD had all of these. It can be truthfully said he measured up fully to the highest traditions of his great office.

Mr. BANKHEAD was a strong partisan. Yet his respect for constitutional government and his high office was such that he gave us of the minority the full rights which must be given to a minority if we are to have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

A fine life is ended. A great American has passed on to the reward which comes from a life of service dedicated to the common welfare. Legions of friends will miss his friendly smile, his warm clasp of friendship, and his characteristic southern courtesy and chivalry.

As we who loved him gather here expressing our sorrow and grief, we can say only that which, after all, is the finest tribute which can be paid to any man: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

The quartette sang *Be Still My Soul*, by J. Sibelius.

The CHAPLAIN (Dr. Montgomery). Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, today sorrow touches our earthly pilgrimage; do Thou weave a divine comfort about the altars of our hearts. We praise Thee that Thy earthly children, over whom the skies bend, are within the Father's fold; consider and hear us; in the midst of life we are in death. Thy ways are in the deep and Thy paths are in the mighty waters; yet, blessed Lord, Thy sovereignty is love and eternal good. We pray that our faith may see through the shadows and cleave steadfastly to Him who is the resurrection and the life. Heavenly Father, we pause with one accord in loving memory of him our true friend and brother, a renowned statesman and patriot, whose distinguished services have become a part of our Nation's history. O let this hour freshen and deepen our devotion to our country as we pray at the shrine of our sorrowing hearts. Hear us as we bestow the silent tokens of our abiding affection. We praise Thee for his deep convictions of the right, courage, and for his unsullied honor. O blessed Lord God, the memory of this scholarly Christian gentleman we will not willingly allow to die out of our aching hearts. He loved the good, the beautiful, and the true, and saluted a greater future for his brotherman. Comfort the loved ones in the shadows of their great loss, yet in the glow of a wonderful memory. Let the vision of our Lord and Saviour hang in the chambers of our breasts, and Thine shall be the glory forever. Amen.

My friends, while in the office of our beloved Speaker he has told me of his own favorite psalm, namely, the one hundred and third. This I will read:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits;

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies;

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things, so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

He made known His ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

He will not always chide; neither will He keep his anger forever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

For He knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower in the field, so he flourisheth.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

The Lord hath prepared His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruleth over all.

Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts, ye ministers of His, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word.

Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts, yet ministers of His, that do His pleasure.

Bless the Lord, all His works in all places of His dominion; bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear no evil: For Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou annointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the House of the Lord forever.

Let not your heart be troubled: Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I come again, and will receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Consider the lilies of the field how they grow. They toil not, neither do they spin. But yet I say unto you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore if God so clothed the grass of the field which today is but tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith.

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, flowing out of the Throne of God; and in the midst of the river and on either side of it was there a Tree of Life.

There shall be no night there and they need no candle there; neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light, and they shall reign forever and forever.

O, yet we trust that somehow good,
Will be the final goal of ill,
To pangs of nature, sins of will,
Defects of doubt and taints of blood.
That nothing walks with aimless feet,
That not one life shall be destroyed
Or cast as rubbish to the void
When God hath made the pile complete.

That not a worm is cloven in vain,
That not a moth with vain desire
Is shriveled in the fruitless fire
Or but subserves another's gain.

So runs my dream; but what am I?
An infant crying in the night,
An infant crying for the light;
And with no language, but a cry.

I falter where I firmly trod,
And fall with my weight of cares
Upon the great world's altar-stairs,
That slope through darkness up to God.

I stretch lame hands of grope
And gather dust and chaff and call
To what I feel is Lord of all,
And faintly trust the larger hope.

My dear friend and beloved brother, how I loved you. In the other hour when he breathed his last the heavens opened above his couch and the soul of WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD became immortal.

The quartette sang I've Done My Work, by Carrie Jacobs-Bond.

Rev. William S. Abernethy, D. D., minister of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., pronounced the following benediction:

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and love of God and fellowship of the Holy Spirit abide with us all, now and forever more. Amen.

The President of the United States, escorted by the joint committee of the House and Senate, the President's Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations of the Navy, the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Commandant of the Coast Guard, the President pro tempore and Members of the Senate, and the family and relatives of the late Speaker retired.

AFTER RECESS

The House was called to order at 1:06 p. m., pursuant to the recess.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Alabama to make an announcement.

Mr. STEAGALL. Mr. Speaker, the special train for Jasper, Ala., will leave Union Station at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon and arrive at Jasper at 11 o'clock tomorrow. Services will be held at the Methodist Church in Jasper at 2:30. The special train will leave Jasper for Washington at 6 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. REED of New York (at the request of Mr. CROWTHER), indefinitely, on account of a death in his family.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, as a further mark of respect for the memory of our deceased Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn to Thursday, September 19, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m.) the House, pursuant to its previous order, adjourned until Thursday, September 19, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon.

SENATE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1940

Very Reverend Noble C. Powell, D. D., dean of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Washington, D. C., offered the following prayer:

O God, who through the ages hast inspired the hearts and minds of faithful men with the breath of Thy Holy Spirit, giving to them insight into Thy truth: Do Thou so inspire these Thy servants, granting to them grace and strength to conceive and to do that which is in accord with Thy righteous will for this people. In this hour of many voices and counsels, be Thou their guide in all things committed to their charge, that, under their leadership, this Nation may patiently and peacefully seek Thy kingdom and its righteousness, where alone may be found sure foundations and fullness of life. Grant that we, serving and obeying Thee, and Thee alone, as our Lord and God, may be worthy of the place which Thou hast given us, and do Thy will, that we may serve Thee amongst the nations of the earth. And to Thee shall be the honor and praise from generation to generation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.